

Amendments to the Specification:

Please amend the specification as follows:

On page 6, please replace the first full paragraph beginning on line 6 with the following amended paragraph:

- - The attachment of the top surface 104 to the frame 102 can be by fasteners, such as screws, rivets, glue, or combinations thereof. The top surface 104 can be made of any materials; however, because it can get wet during the bouquet arrangement, it is preferred that the material be waterproof and resistant to water damage. It is also desirable for the top surface 104 to be relatively lightweight, easy to clean, durable, and resistant to cuts and breaking. Polymeric materials, such as polyvinyl chloride (PVC), polycarbonate, polyethylene (PE), ~~plexiglass~~ PLEXIGLASS™, acrylic, etc., are most desirable. The most preferred material is ~~flexiglass~~ FLEXIGLASS™. Those materials do not deteriorate when exposed to water, are lightweight, and are durable. The ~~flexiglass~~ FLEXIGLASS™ top surface 104 can conveniently attach to the PVC pipe frame 102 by screws 128 located at the four corners of the top surface 104. - -

Please replace the abstract with the Abstract submitted on a separate page herewith.